--26.   An isolated polypeptide comprising a secreted HER2 extracellular domain *having an immune epitope* essentially free of transmembrane and intracellular portions of the HER2 molecule.--

--27.   The isolated polypeptide of claim 26 comprising an immune epitope.--

Remarks

This preliminary amendment is submitted along with a filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.60, of the presently pending parent application U.S.S.N. 07/354,319. Claims pending after this amendment are 2-3, 5, 7, and 9-27.

Claim 9 has been amended, to address the aspects of this invention directed to nucleic acid encoding the secreted form of the HER2 molecule. Support for this claim may be found at the paragraph bridging specification pages 19 and 20.

Claim 18 has been amended to incorporate process steps involving the secretion of the HER2 polypeptide, as discussed in

New claim 26 has been added, directed to an isolated, secreted, HER2 extracellular domain. Support for this claim may be found in the specification at page 21, lines 5-9. New claim 27 has been added, to specify that the polypeptide of claim 26 comprise an immune epitope; support for this claim may be found in the sentence bridging pages 3-4.
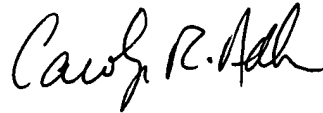
Claims 3, 5, 7, and 22 have been amended to replace their dependency on canceled claim 1 with dependency on new claim 26. Claims 1, 4, 6, and 8 have been canceled.

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The inventors submit that these amendments do not add new material to the application. Entry of these amendments is solicited.
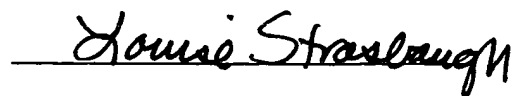
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